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CLEVELAND, OHIO (EP)-For generations some 40-45 percent of Americans have been telling pollsters that they attended church on any given Sunday. But a new study by a United Church of Christ researcher suggests that half of them may be mistaken. Dr. Kirk Hadaway sought to answer a question: Why have mainline Protestant churches seen a decline in attendance while polls report that weekly church attendance is holding

steady? In Ashtabula County, Ohio, the designated test area, they found approximately 20 percent actually in church on a Sunday morning. When they surveyed the community, some 35 percent of the people indicated they had been in church. The researcher did not feel that most people purposely lie about their church-going patterns. He thinks that they may think of themselves as attending church every week, but sometimes something comes up (a

child may be sick, a job may require that they work, etc.).

COLORADO SPRINGS, CO (EP)-Focus on the Family dedicated its new 365,000-square-foot headquarters Sept. 25. The two new brick buildings-an administration building and a distribution center-were built for a reported \$30 million. The ministry now has a 47-acre campus.

